

II. Remarks

Support for the various amendments made to the claims herein may be found throughout the application as filed. Claims 21 and 34 are amended herein. Claims 21-50 remain pending herein, claims 1-20 having been cancelled previously.

On August 10, a Final Office Action (hereafter "Final Office Action") was mailed rejecting all of the then-pending claims on the basis of various newly-cited references, as well as on the basis of Section 112, first paragraph. Additionally, claims 21 and 34 were objected to.

In the present Amendment after Final, claims 21 and 34 are amended for the specific purpose of placing the present patent application in condition for appeal. In both claims, the objected to phrase "area pattern" is replaced with the term "sensor cluster," support for which may be found in the specification as filed in paragraphs 20, 23, 24, 25 and 26 thereof. Additionally, the word "not" is inserted in claim 21 at line 17 thereof before the word "disposed" to rectify and correct the Section 112 problem raised by the Examiner respecting claims 21-33 and 50. Applicants' attorney thanks the Examiner for bringing this oversight and error to his attention.

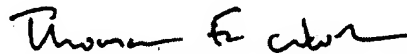
In response to the Examiner's objections to claims 21 and 34, and rejection of claims 21-33 and 50 on the basis of the first paragraph of Section 112, such objections and rejections should now be overcome by way of the amendments made herein.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments made herein so that the present application may be placed in condition for appeal.

V. Summary

Claims 21 through 50 are pending in the application, and are believed to be in condition for allowance. Examination of the application as amended is requested. The Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned by telephone or e-mail with any questions or comments she may have.

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